



Superintendent, Anibal Soler, Jr.

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Message from Superintendent Soler

Dear Yonkers Families,

It is the last full week of school before Thanksgiving Recess, and so much happened across the district!

Principals gathered for their monthly meeting to focus on school goals and instructional strategies. I was proud to recognize their work and reinforce how important school leaders are to every district initiative.



Superintendent Soler Speaks at This Week's Equity Intelligent Platform Workshop

Central office teams also continued our equity work with partners from the Center for Open Data Enterprise, We Collab, and the Bloomberg Center for Government Excellence. Together, we are building an Equity Intelligent Platform that will help us better understand student needs and improve outcomes for all, especially boys and young men of color.

We are also focused on bringing more talented staff into our school district. Our upcoming Career Fair at Yonkers Montessori Academy is one way we are working to fill key roles that support students every day. At the same time, the School Choice process is underway, giving families an opportunity to learn more about programs and make informed decisions for next year.

Student voice remains a priority. The Superintendent's Student Leadership Advisory Council held its first meeting of the year, giving students a direct line to share feedback and ideas with my office and district leadership. Alongside student voices at the forefront, the broader community also plays a vital role. At this week's Board of Education Stated Meeting, I shared an outlook on the upcoming school year budget and the challenges we face. Your perspective is important as we begin developing the new school year budget. That is why I have launched a Community Feedback Survey to help the district identify areas of improvement as we enter a new budget season.

Have your voice heard and [complete the survey](#) today.

Message from Superintendent Soler (Continued)

We also welcomed new members of our leadership team and celebrated important milestones. Congratulations to our newly appointed administrators and to Assistant Principal Kerri Romanino on her tenure. I also want to give special recognition to Coach John Cunningham and English Language Learner Teacher Jeremy Torres from Enrico Fermi School as they welcomed their new babies. It was such a special moment and I wish them the very best.

As we approach Thanksgiving, I want to thank you for your partnership and support. A reminder that Wednesday, November 26th is a half day for all students and school staff. Schools and central office will be closed on November 27th and 28th for Thanksgiving recess. We wish all families a safe, restful time with loved ones.



Anibal Soler, Jr.
Superintendent of Schools



Superintendent Soler Speaks at the Mayor's School Spotlight This Week

DISTRICT Digest

From key moments with Superintendent Soler to exciting events across our schools, Yonkers Magic was on full display. Catch up on all the highlights and celebrations happening in YPS this week!

Native American Heritage Month at Sotomayor School



Creativity and Culture in Grades 5-6

Students at Justice Sonia Sotomayor Community School celebrated Native American Heritage Month through hands-on activities led by Mrs. Sabato. Students crafted dreamcatchers, reflected on their goals, and designed vibrant totem poles. The lessons blended culture, creativity, and personal expression.

Special Recognition: Staff Baby Celebration



A first-of-its-kind moment at YPS

Enrico Fermi School celebrated a special moment as two male staff members welcomed newborns at the same time. Congratulations to Coach John Cunningham, celebrating the arrival of his first child, Mae Cunningham, and ENL Teacher Mr. Jeremy Torres, welcoming his first son, Jax Torres. This dual baby celebration was a joyful milestone for the district.

Yonkers Public Schools Career Fair



Hiring for:

School Aide (Special Education)

Substitute Teacher

and
more!

Teacher (various subjects)

Food Service Helper

**Saturday
November 22** 9am - 1pm

**Yonkers Montessori
Academy**

160 Woodlawn Ave
Yonkers, NY 10704



Hiring for Key Positions Across the District

The Yonkers Public Schools Career Fair will take place on Saturday, November 22 from 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM at Yonkers Montessori Academy. Available positions include School Aides in Special Education, Substitute Teachers, Teachers in various subject areas, and Food Service Helpers.

*Interested in attending? Bring a copy of your resume and a bright smile!
See you there!*

Obama vs. Gorton Staff Volleyball Game



Friendly Competition and School Spirit

The first-ever volleyball match between Barack Obama School for Social Justice and Gorton High School took place on November 13. Barack Obama staff secured the victory after two sets, earning Principal Jamell Scott the trophy and bragging rights. The event brought together staff, students, and families for a spirited and fun afternoon.

School Choice Tours



SCHOOL TOURS 2025

BARACK OBAMA SCHOOL FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE 201 Palisade Avenue, (914) 376-8177 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM Tuesday, December 9, 2025 Wednesday, December 10, 2025	CASIMIR PULASKI SCHOOL 150 Kings Cross, Scarsdale, NY 10583, (914) 376-8575 9:15 AM - 10:15 AM Wednesday, November 19, 2025 Thursday, December 2, 2025 Tuesday, December 9, 2025 Wednesday, December 10, 2025	CESAR E. CHAVEZ SCHOOL 20 Cedar Place, (914) 376-8949 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM Thursday, November 20, 2025 Tuesday, November 25, 2025 Thursday, December 4, 2025 Thursday, December 11, 2025 Friday, December 12, 2025	CHARLES E. GORTON HIGH SCHOOL 100 Shepley Place, (914) 376-8550 8:45 AM - 9:45 AM Friday, November 21, 2025 Tuesday, November 25, 2025 Tuesday, December 2, 2025 Wednesday, December 10, 2025 Wednesday, December 17, 2025 Monday, December 22, 2025	CROSS HILL ACADEMY 160 Bolner Avenue, (914) 376-8300 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM Thursday, November 20, 2025 Monday, November 24, 2025 Tuesday, December 2, 2025 Tuesday, December 9, 2025 Monday, December 15, 2025 Complete form to schedule	ELLA FITZGERALD ACADEMY 77 Park Hill Avenue, (914) 376-8420 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM Wednesday, November 19, 2025 Tuesday, November 25, 2025 Tuesday, December 2, 2025 Monday, December 8, 2025 Monday, December 15, 2025	ENRICO FERMI SCHOOL 27 Poplar Street, (914) 376-8440 Monday, November 17, 2025 9:30 AM - 10:30 AM Monday, November 24, 2025 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM Tuesday, December 2, 2025 9:30 AM - 10:30 AM
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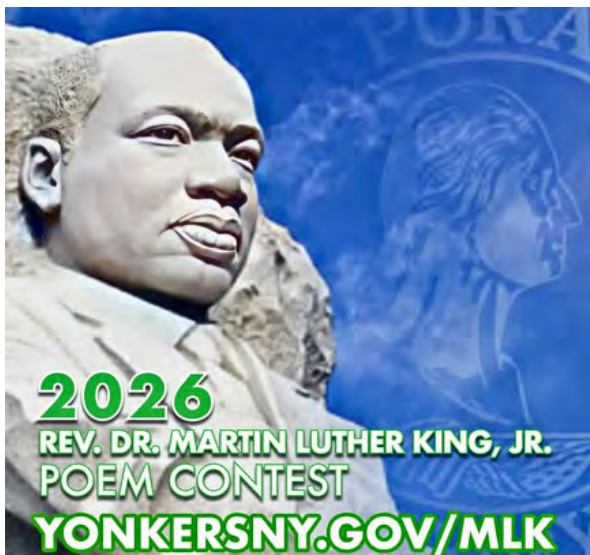
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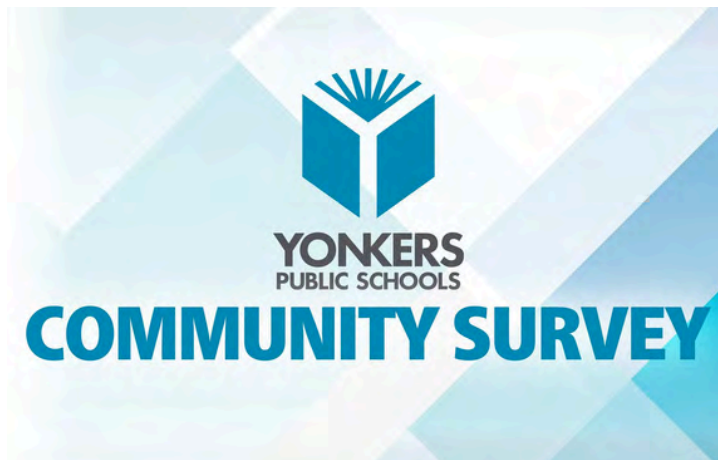
MLK Poem Contest



Students Invited to Honor Dr. King's Legacy

Students in grades 6-12 are invited to submit an original poem for the 2026 Martin Luther King Jr. Poem Contest. Selected poems reflecting Dr. King's values of unity, courage, and justice will be featured at the Youth Meet & Poetry Showcase on January 8, 2026. Submissions are due December 3, 2025, at contest@yonkersny.gov.

YPS Community Feedback Survey



Voice your Input!

The Community Survey is live until January 16th. This is the perfect opportunity to have your voice heard!

Visit [here](#) to participate today!

New Leadership Appointments



District Welcomes Newly Appointed Administrators

Congratulations to Kathleen Hagenbuch, appointed Director of Out-of-District Placement, and Dr. Marvin Robinson III, appointed Executive Director of My Brother's Keeper (MBK).

In addition, Kerri Romanino, Assistant Principal at Yonkers Montessori Academy, was officially granted tenure. The district celebrates these leaders and their continued contributions to Yonkers Public Schools.

School Choice Expo Recap



Families Explore Programs and School Options

Thank you to the many families who attended the School Choice Expo this past weekend.

The event gave families the opportunity to explore programs offered across all Yonkers public schools and speak directly with staff.

The School Choice process runs from December 1 to December 31. Families are encouraged to continue learning about school offerings and consider what best supports their child's needs and goals.

Superintendent's Student Leadership Advisory Council (SSLAC)



Student Voice at the Center of District Decision-Making

The first Superintendent's Student Leadership Advisory Council meeting of the school year took place this week. Students shared insights on issues most important to the Yonkers student body. The SSLAC gives students a direct platform to engage with Superintendent Soler and district leaders while strengthening communication and leadership skills.

Equity Intelligent Platform Workshop



Co-designing Tools to Advance Equity Across Yonkers

Central office staff partnered with the Center for Open Data Enterprise, We Collab, and the Bloomberg Center for Government Excellence for an interactive workshop centered on building the Equity Intelligent Platform. This platform will help the district and community partners better understand and respond to student needs. The collaboration supports efforts to expand access, equity, and outcomes for boys and young men of color throughout Yonkers.

Mayor's School Spotlight Award: YECA



Celebrating Achievement and Community Partnership

Congratulations to Yonkers Early Childhood Academy for receiving the Mayor's School Spotlight Award. The honor recognizes strong academic progress, school-community partnerships, and success in ELA programming. It was a proud moment for students, families, and staff.

Science Barge Experiential Learning



Hands-on STEM learning for School 21 and Montessori School 27

Students from School 21 and Montessori School 27 spent the day exploring the Science Barge, engaging in hands-on environmental science activities. Students discovered new concepts, interacted with real-world tools, and experienced learning beyond the classroom in a fun, meaningful way.

Student Achievement Recognition



Outstanding student leadership at the JA Gala

The district congratulates Margaret Ennin from Lincoln High School and Christopher Reyes-Aquino from Yonkers Middle High School for their exceptional speeches at the Junior Achievement of New York Gala in Manhattan. Their confidence, clarity, and composure were praised by JA partners and captured the excellence and character of Yonkers students.

La Bodeguita de Fermi Feeds the Community for Thanksgiving



Fermi Students Volunteer in Their Food Pantry

On Thursday, Enrico Fermi School reopened “La Bodeguita de Fermi”, their school food pantry.

“We’re incredibly grateful to the students and staff who volunteered their time and energy to help us serve our community—just in time for the holidays. Also very grateful for our partners at Feeding Westchester!”

- Principal Rodriguez

Virtual Reality Learning at Cross Hill Academy



Expanding Learning Through Innovative Technology

Cross Hill Academy students engaged in virtual reality learning through a partnership between the school’s librarian, Ms. Foster, and the Yonkers Public Library. Students explored immersive environments that expanded understanding of science and history in new, exciting ways.

Thanksgiving Recess Reminder



ATTENTION PARENTS/GUARDIANS OF ALL STUDENTS GRADES PK-12

There will be a Half-Day of Instruction for All Students and All School Staff

Wednesday, November 26, 2025

Dismissal for schools starting at 7:35 AM will be at 11:00 AM
Dismissal for schools starting at 8:35 AM will be at 12:00 PM

Bus Transportation Reminder:

Students in grades Pre-K through 3 and curb-to-curb IEP students **MUST** be met by a parent/guardian or designee; children not met at their bus stop will be taken to the Transportation Center at One Larkin Center.

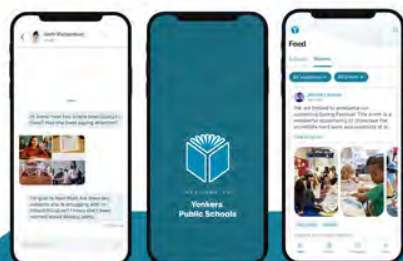
Schedule Updates for Staff and Families

All schools will follow a half-day schedule on Wednesday, November 26. Schools and central office will be closed on November 27 and 28 for Thanksgiving recess. Yonkers Public Schools wishes all families a safe and joyful holiday spent with loved ones.

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the **Yonkers app**.

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Let's Talk!

Communication Made Easy

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District Digest

Photos from Across the District



La Bodeguita de Fermi Gives Back! (1/2)



50s Day for the 50th Day of School at School 29



La Bodeguita de Fermi Gives Back! (2/2)



Central Office Thanksgiving Gathering



Superintendent's Student Leadership Advisory Council Meeting

YPS STUDENT ARTWORK



Various Students, School 23, Gr. 3-6



Sendria Faulk, Lincoln-High School, Gr. 11



Ariangel Olivares, YMA, Gr. 12



Brooke Kelley-Miles, School 23, Gr. 4



Avari Huggins, YMA, Gr. 9



Alex Salcedo, School 30, Gr. K



Catalina Vazquez, Siragusa, Gr. 4